



State of California
The Resources Agency
Department of Forestry and Fire Protection

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

PROJECT TITLE	Buzztail Community Fuels Reduction Project		
PROJECT LOCATION	Buzztail Service District, T22N, R2E, Sections 1, 12, 13; T22N, R3E, Sections 7 and 18. 5 miles NE of Chico, Ca.	COUNTY	Butte
LEAD AGENCY	California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CalFire)		
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Project Description

This is a fuels reduction project that will create a fuelbreak with an average width of 40 feet for an approximate seven (7) miles in length around the Buzztail Community Services District, located in the foothills northeast of Chico, Ca. Work will entail the cutting, piling, and burning of heavy brush to widen the existing fire lines created during suppression of the 2008 Humboldt Fire. The intent of this project is to reduce hazardous fuels loading by removing brush and down woody material and eliminating rapid burning flashy fuels with the goal of reducing the rate of fire spread, duration, and intensity. All work is to be done by hand crews.

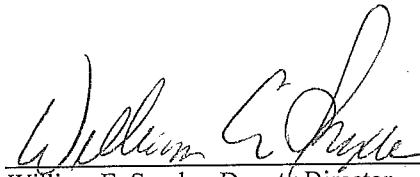
EXEMPTION STATUS

- ☒ Categorical Exemption Type/Section: Class 4 §15304 Minor alterations to Land.
- ☐ Statutory Exemption (state code section):
- ☐ Ministerial (§21080(b)(1); 15268)
- ☐ Declared Emergency (§21080(b)(3); 15269(a))
- ☐ Emergency Project (§21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c))

Reasons Project is Exempt

This project fits within the descriptions for a Class 4 Categorical Exemption to CEQA described in the CEQA Guidelines (14 CCR Sections 15304). The Unit Forester/Environmental Coordinator has conducted a limited environmental review and has field inspected the project site to ensure that no exceptions exist that preclude the use of this exemption. The Department has determined that no significant environmental impacts to biological, cultural, air or water resources would occur and that greenhouse gas emissions would be less than significant. Documentation of the environmental review conducted is on file at Butte Unit Headquarters in Oroville and at Sacramento Headquarters.

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